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Dear Parent/Carer

13th November 2023

Re: Light Up the Dale

This year we are delighted to be working closely with the Light Up the Dale committee to ensure that the switch on of the Stanhope Christmas lights is as special as possible.

All of our Learning Zones are decorating a wooden Christmas bauble and the children will be visiting the Christmas tree during the week of 20th November to hang their baubles. The craft materials for the decoration have been funded via a grant from the Weardale Area Action Partnership.

During the next week every Learning Zone will be making something which lights up as part of their Design and Technology lessons. For example: Amethyst and Sapphire are making Christingles; Opal are making Diva lamps; Ruby are making Leaf Lanterns; Emerald are making circular lanterns and Diamond are making Cube lanterns.

The Light Up the Dale committee have funded the resources necessary to make the Christingles.

On Friday 24th November we are going to leave the school yard at 5pm and parade with our lighted items to the Christmas tree in Stanhope. The idea is that the children will collect their lighted item (please note no naked flames are in use – glow sticks are being used) from their classroom and then we will all walk down to Stanhope singing carols as we go.

We also work closely with Crosshill Nursing home and we hope that some of their residents will be up to joining us on the parade. Our children will then be joining in with the singing of carols to be played by Stanhope Silver Band and one of our specially nominated children (Logan Tinkler) will have the very important job of turning on the Stanhope Christmas Lights for 2023!

The Light Up the Dale committee have organised food and drinks and we hope everyone will have a great time and really get into the Christmas spirit.

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Please come along and meet us on the school yard just before 5pm on Friday 24th November for this fantastic parade of light.

Yours sincerely

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